Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Tim L. Johnston's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country, and the HHD, 109th Regional Support Group; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Johnston has devoted over 23 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a Food Service Specialist in which his superior performance and instruction in the area of military food service led his team to victory in winning the "Phillip Connelly Award" on three occasions; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Johnston deployed to Iraq from 2003-2004 and finished his career with the 109th Regional Support Group as the Senior Intelligence Sergeant; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Tim L. Johnston for more than 23 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 8, 2009, as

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS TIM L. JOHNSTON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State